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## **CO-PENDING LETTER**

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Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. Application:

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The subject matter contained in the above-listed co-pending U.S. application may be deemed to relate to the present application, and thus may be material to the prosecution of this instant application. Thus, the Examiner is requested to consider the subject matter and claims of the co-pending U.S. application, any prior art currently cited therein or later cited during the prosecution thereof, any Office Actions issued therein, and any Amendments/Responses filed therein.

The cited co-pending U.S. application is available on the United States Patent and Trademark Office's IFW systems. As indicated by MPEP 609.04(a), the requirement for a copy of the co-pending specification, claims, and drawings is waived since the cited co-

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pending U.S. application is stored in the USPTO's IFW system. Accordingly, no copy of the cited co-pending application is included herewith.

Further, as the application, claims, prior art, Office Actions and Amendments/Responses of the co-pending U.S. application are available on the USPTO's IFW system, copies of such items are not provided, and will not be provided in the future. If needed, such items will be provided to the Examiner upon request.

The above-listed co-pending U.S. application is not to be construed as prior art. By bringing the above-listed application to the attention of the Examiner, Applicants do NOT waive any confidentiality concerning the above-listed co-pending application or this application. See MPEP § 101. Furthermore, if said application should not mature into patents or otherwise publish, such application should be preserved in secrecy under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 122 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.14.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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